

# Coach Certification

- Volunteer screening is required for all team officials. This procedure is completed by the Club and its privacy officers.
- Youth (U13-U18) Recreational head coaches and assistant coaches must have valid Respect in Sport Certification.
- Making Headway is the new head injury course which is required for all competitive and development coaches and is a pre-requisite for the Provincial B certificate.
- Child, Youth, and Senior Community coaching courses are no longer valid as of April 1 2017. Please note that for coaches who are upgrading their old community coaching courses with the new LTPD courses, the Laws of the Game requirement will be waived with a written request from the club.
- **Head Coach or Assistant Coach Certification requirements for registered youth and senior teams:**

Course	Respect in Sport 3.5 hrs. on-line/5 Yr. Expiry (OSA Required)	Making Ethical Decisions (4 hours) (OSA Required)	Making Headway in Soccer On-line (OSA Required)	Laws of the Game (2 hours) (YRSA Required)
<b>Active Start</b> U4 – U5 Male & Female (4 hours in-class)	+RIS www.ontariosoccer.net	+ MED In-class attendance mandatory	+ Making Headway www.coach.ca	
<b>FUNDamentals</b> U6 – U8 Male & Female (8 hours in-class)	+RIS www.ontariosoccer.net	+ MED In-class attendance mandatory	+ Making Headway www.coach.ca	+LOTG In-class
<b>Learn to Train</b> U9 – U12 Male & Female (16 hours in-class)	+RIS www.ontariosoccer.net	+ MED In-class attendance mandatory	+ Making Headway www.coach.ca	+LOTG In-class
<b>Soccer For Life</b> U13+ Male & Female – Including Seniors (16 hours in-class)	+RIS www.ontariosoccer.net	+ MED In-class attendance mandatory	+ Making Headway www.coach.ca	+LOTG In-class

## OPDL Coach Requirements, as outlined in the OPDL Operations Procedure:

- U13 Head coach: Provincial B or USSF C License
- U14+ Head Coach: National B License or USSF B License or UEFA B License
- Assistant Coaches: National C License or Provincial Pre-B License

National and Provincial certifications have a 5-year expiry date and will therefore need to be updated by the team official accordingly.

